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वैदर्भीमाश्रिताः सर्वाः कला विद्याश्च सन्तताः । प्रथितानां यशोमूलं वैदर्भी रीतिरुत्तमा ।। पेन्ना मधुसूदनः



Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi receiving the appointment letter from Hon'ble Chancellor & Governor of Maharashtra Shri. Ch. Vidyasagar Rao on 12th December 2017

विद्यापीठं कविकुलगुरोः कालिदासस्य नाम्ना

सुप्रख्यातं विलसति महद् रामगिर्याश्रमेषु।

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प्रीतः प्रीतिप्रमुखवचनं स्वागतम् व्याहरामि ।

रामटेकं प्रसिद्धमैतिहासिकं क्षेत्रम् यत्र स्थित्वा कविकुलगुरुः कालिदासः वर्षभोग्येण विरहातुरवासेन मेघसन्देशं रचयामास । अधुना च प्रसिद्धिं भजते क्षेत्रमिदं कालिदासनाम्ना प्रतिष्ठापितेन संस्कृतविश्वविद्यालयेन । रामगिरेः शिखरे रमणीयं राममन्दिरं, तत्रैव अधिकृत्यायां कालिदासस्मारकं, उपत्यकायाञ्च प्रदेशे विसृतं रामटेकनगरं, नातिदूरे खिण्डसीनामा जलाशयः, पर्वतान्तरे विलसत् नागार्जुनमन्दिरं तदेतत् रामटेकपरिसरस्य हृद्यं दृश्यम् । परिसरेऽस्मिन् महाराष्ट्राणां स्वाभिमानचिह्नरूपेण विराजते कविकुलगुरुकालिदासविश्वविद्यालयशैक्षिकपरिसरः । केन्द्रप्रशासनकार्यालयश्च । ऐषमः वर्षे शास्त्रशिक्षणदिशायां नैके कार्यक्रमोपक्रमाः संकल्पिताः । तरुणैः शास्त्राध्ययनसमुत्सुकैः छात्रैः स्वागतं व्याहर्तुं सोत्कण्ठं निरीक्षते कालं अध्यापकगणः कर्मयोगिसहयोगिभिः सार्धम् । हार्दं स्वागतं सर्वेभ्यः!

श्रीनिवासः वरखेडी

Curriculum Vitae of New Vice-Chancellor

Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi

Vice-Chancellor, Kavikulaguru Kalidas Sanskrit University, Ramtek - 441106, Dist. Nagpur.

Member of Sanskrit Committee for Vision Document, MHRD, Govt. of India.

Former Vice-Chancellor, (Acting), Karnataka Samskrit University.

Professor and Dean, Shastra Faculty.

Director, Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote.

Education - M.A. (Darshan), Ph.D.(Navyanyaya)

Teaching Experience 20 Years Administrative Experience 13 Years



Publications

Books Published 9,
Research Papers 27

Edited 27

Conferences Organized 34

Areas of Specialization

1. Navya Nyāya Philosophy - School of Indian Logic.
2. Śābdabodha, Sanskrit Computational linguistics and Semantics.
3. Knowledge Representation scheme of First Order Predicate Calculus developed by Frege, Conceptual Graphs of Sowa, Boolean algebra and Western Symbolic Logic.
4. Dvaita Vedanta - one of the three schools of Vedantas.
5. Sanskrit Literature, Grammar and Pedagogy.

Awards and Honors

- Maharshi Badarayan Vyas Samman, 2007 Conferred by the President of India for the contributions to the interdisciplinary field involving Sanskrit.
- Śrī Rājavidyāmānya, 2015 Awarded by Madhvarāddhāntasamvardhakasabha Chinmayananda Gold Medal, 2012 Awarded by Chinmaya International Foundation Shodha Sansthan, Kerala.
- Śrī Krushnanugraha Praśasti, 2009 Awarded by Sri Sugunendra Tirtha Swamiji, Sri Paryaya Puttige Matha, Udupi for Traditional Scholarship.
- Shastra-varidhi, 1997 Title with a Special Grant of 1 lack Rs and Honored with a Silver Medal and shawl given by Sri Visvesa Tirtha Swamiji, Pejavar Matha, Udupi for Traditional Scholarship
- Sujayindra Praśasti, 1996 Awarded by Sri Raghavendra Swami Matha, Mantralayam, Andhra Pradesh to Meritorious Young Śāstric Student.

Research Projects

- Project Director, 2016-2018 Developing Pali Morphological Analyser funded by Pali Institute, Kalburgi.
- Project Director, 2015-2017 SAARA, Kannada to Telugu Machine Translation funded by Department of Electronic, Government of India.
- Principal Investigator and consultant, 2008-2011 Sanskrit Hindi Machine Translation and Development of tools for Sanskrit Language Analysis funded by Department of Information Technology, Government of India.
- Additional Coordinator, 2004-2009 Development of E-Vachaspatyam in CD funded by University Grants Commission.
- Additional Coordinator, 2004-2008 Ramayana on Internet Project funded by Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- Additional Coordinator, 2004-2007 Sanskrit Net Project funded by University Grants Commission.
- Additional Coordinator, 2004-2007 Interdisciplinary Post Graduate Course in Shabdabodha and Language Technology funded by University Grants Commission under Center of Excellence.
- Additional Coordinator, 2004-2007 Research Program in NLP funded by University Grants Commission under Center of Excellence.
- Additional Coordinator, 2004-2005 English-to-Sanskrit Machine Translation funded by Ministry of Human Resource Development.

Noteworthy Contribution

1. New Syllabus formation and Text Book publication for Prathama, Kavya and Sahitya classes under Directorate of Sanskrit Education, Karnataka State.
2. Syllabus reformation in Graduate and Post Graduate Courses of Karnataka Sanskrit University, Karnataka after thirty years of gap.
3. Creating new syllabus structure for Research Methodology course for PhD and Mphil Course work in Karnataka Samskrit University.
4. Creating structure to the newly set up Directorate for Sanskrit Education in Karnataka State during 2010 - 2011.
5. Academic and administrative reformation and development of Sanskrit Academy, Osmania University, Hyderabad through publications, various research activities and campus renovation during 2008 - 2010.
6. Formation of Sanskrit Consortium and International Forum for Sanskrit Computational Linguistics during 2007 - 2008.
7. Setting up of a new Department for the studies in Sanskrit Computational Linguistics and designing entirely new curriculum for interdisciplinary Post Graduation Research courses at Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati during 2004 - 2006.
8. Introducing Semester system for the first time in the Graduate and Post Graduate Curriculum and bringing re-formation in examination system of Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati during 2002 - 2004.

Hon'ble VC with Dignitaries



Hon'ble Ex VC KKSU Dr. Pankaj Chande & Mrs. Shubhangi Chande felicitating Prof. Varakhedi, Hon'ble VC KKSU, Ramtek.



Meeting with Ramtek MLA Hon'ble Shri Mallikarjuna Reddy.



Greetings to Newly appointed UGC Chairman Respected Prof. D. P. Singh.



Welcome to Dr. Namdeo Kalyankar, Hon'ble VC of Gondwana University, Gadchiroli.



A courtesy visit of Prof. Prasad Joshi, Pro-VC of Deccan College, Pune.



The Felicitation at the hands of Prof. Chandragupta Varnekar. A Lecture on Bhavabhuti delivered by Hon'ble VC Prof. Varkhedi at Sanskrit Bhasha Pracharini Sabha, Nagpur.



Hon'ble VC Prof. Varakhedi in discussion with Hon'ble Shri. Anoop Kumarji, Divisional Commissioner, Nagpur.



Felicitation of Hon'ble VC sir at the hands of Hon'ble VC Prof. V. Muralidhara Sharma Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati.

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Achievements of the Faculty



Dr. Uma Vaidya, Ex-Vice-Chancellor, KKSU, Ramtek receiving the **Prof. S. M. Kulkarni Smriti Grantha Puraskar** for her book “Yogavasistha and Panthiya Tattvajana” at the hands of **Prof. Madan Kulkarni**, President, Vidarbha Samshodhan Mandal, Nagpur .



Dr. Parag Joshi, Assistant Professor, Sanskrit Bhasha tatha Sahitya Dept. receiving Second Prize in Sanskrit Sadya Padya Pratiyogita Competition organized by Delhi Sanskrit Academy, New Delhi.



Prof. Dr. Nanda Puri, Dean, Sanskrit tatha Sanskritetara Bhasha adjudged the Sanskrit competition organized by Tirupati Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati felicitated by the Official of the said University.



Felicitation of **Dr. Prasad Gokhale**, Assistant Professor, Vedanga Jyotisha Dept. Dr. Gokhale adjudged the various competitions in Inter Campus Youth Festival organized by RSS, New Delhi.



Dr. Jaywant Chaudhari actively participated in Lekhanuvadak Workshop organized by Samskrit Bharati and Samskrit Samvardhan Pratishthan in Bengaluru.



Hon'ble VC releasing the book “UGC Funding for Higher Education” penned by **Dr. Rajashri Meshram**, Assistant Professor in Post Graduate Education Dept.



Prof. C. G. Vijaykumar, Dean, Veda tatha Vyakarana Faculty delivering the speech in the “Shastratha Parishad”. Chairperson **Prof. Krishnakumar Pandeya**, Dean Faculty of Ancient Indian Sciences & Humanities.



Cricket Team of KKSU, Ramtek enthusiastically participated in Inter University Cricket Competition organized by RTM Nagpur University, Nagpur..

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Major developments

1. MoU Signed with Karnataka Sanskrit University, Bengalore.
2. Manuscript Preservation Center has been awarded by National Manuscript Mission, Govt of India to the University. MoU is signed.
3. Two Research Projects have been granted by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, MHRD, Govt. of India
4. New Two years certificate course has been introduced to the pass out of SSLC to enter into Sanskrit Studies in Ramtek Campus.
5. A Training Center for Competitive Exams has been Established in Ramtek Campus.
6. First R & D Committee meeting took place and ten research proposals were finalized and sent to different funding agencies.
7. First notification for admission in Ramtek Campus for year 2018-19 is issued.

Achievements of the Faculty Members

- **Prof. Nanda Puri - “Kathamuktavali”** book published. Marathi Translation of Selected Sanskrit Stories of Pandita Kshama Rao.
- **Prof. Madhusudan Penna-** Invited Talks ,
Presented an invited talk on Yoga –Brain, mind and beyond: World Vedic Conference, Deccan College, Pune
Invited talk on Ancient Indian Sciences at Disha nirdesh, (IAS coaching institute), Haryana.
Invited talk on Yoga philosophy for society at National Conference, Ramakrishna Math, Pune.
Invited talk on Indian culture and Heritage, Hislop College, Nagpur.
- **Dr. Rajashri Meshram - A book "UGC funding in Higher Education"** published at the hands of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi.
- **Dr. Prasad Gokhale** invited as a Judge for National Youth Festival organized by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi during 8th to 11th March held at Mumbai Campus, Mumbai.
- **Dr. Jaywant Chaudhari** attended the Lekhakanuvad Workshop organized by Samskrit Bharati in collaboration with Samskrit Samvardhan Pratisthan at Bengaluru during 28th March to 3rd April 2018
- **Dr. Renuka Bokare** completed the Orientation Course for NSS Program Officers organized by ETI, Ahmednagar College, Ahmednagar during 27th January 2018 to 4th February 2018.

Guruji
na Puraskar

Registrar of KRSU Dr Arvind Joshi, Shilpa K S, Prof Shrinivas Varshedi during signing the MoU between KRSU and Karadatta Sanskrit University, on Tuesday.

कालिदास, कर्नाटक संस्कृत

विदर्भ संशोधन मंडळाचा पुरस्कार

प्रवाचा प्रभाव विद्या, तत्त्वज्ञान आणि भाषा या तीनही अंगाने

સાથે જોડાયેલા સ્ત્રીઓના સમૂહમાંથી એક સ્ત્રીએ કહ્યું કે, 'મને જાણ છે કે મારા બાળકોને આ રોગ છે, પણ મને કશું કરવાનું નથી. મારા પતિને કશું કરવાનું નથી. મારા બાળકોને આ રોગ છે, પણ મને કશું કરવાનું નથી. મારા પતિને કશું કરવાનું નથી.'

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उमा वैद्य यांना जाहीर**

नागपूर : विदर्भ संशोधन मंडळातर्फे संतवाङ्मयावरील प्रबोधा देण्यात येणाऱ्या श्री.म.कुलकर्णी स्मृती ग्रंथ पुरस्काराची घोषणा करण्यात आली आहे. कवि कुलकर्णी कलितमान संस्कृत विद्यापीठाच्या अख्येता कल्याण खे.उमा वैद्य यांना या पुरस्कारात हाती यांना


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A photograph of three men standing side-by-side. The man on the left is wearing a light blue button-down shirt and has glasses hanging from his shirt. The man in the middle is wearing a light blue button-down shirt. The man on the right is wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and a patterned tie, and is holding a large bouquet of yellow and red flowers. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera.

people aware about rich culture of India'

■ Staff Reporter

COMMUNICATION in easy Sanskrit language should be supported and practised for informing the people about the rich Indian culture and knowledge. Workshops for promoting Sanskrit are being organised across the country, from



organised by Kavikularga Kalidas Sanskrit University.	organised by Kavikularga Kalidas Sanskrit University.	
The language is simple and written as it is pronounced, which has been described by Bharruhari.	Vice-Chancellor of the University—Dr. Shrinivas Warachhedhi said that the Sanskrit language to be used and pro-	Responsibility (CSR) programme of ONGC—Dr. Krishnakanta Farday made introductory remarks, Prof. Sahaja was felici-

Major Programs organized by the University



National Youth Day - Hon'ble VC felicitating the Chief Guest Dr. Dinesh Rasal, Assistant Professor, Pune University, Pune.



Sankramanotsava - Hon'ble Mayor of the Nagpur Smt. Nanada Jichkar addressing the gathering.



Hon'ble VC Prof. Varakhedi inaugurating the **Session of Suryanamaskar** in Ramtek organized by KKSU, Ramtek in collaboration with Vidya Bharati, Nagpur.



Prof. Nanda Puri, Dean, Sanskrit tatha Sanskritetar Bhasha Faculty delivering the speech in the "**Shastratha Parishad**". Chairperson **Prof. Madhusudan Penna**, Dean, Faculty of Bharatiya Dharma, Tattvajana tatha Sanskriti.



Prof. Dr. Nanda Puri delivering the lecture on "**Prakrit Speaking Characters, their Acting & Dramatic Beauty**".



Saralmanaka Sanskrit Workshop Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Varakhedi felicitating Prof. Chandkiran Saluja of Sanskrit Samvardhan Pratishthan, New Delhi.



Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Varakhedi giving guidance to participants. Prof. Chandkiran Saluja, Prof. Dr. K.K. Pandeya, Director Extension Services are also present.



स्वाध्यान्मा प्रमदः।
GURUPADESH by
Hon'ble VC Sir to students at **SEND OFF** Program.

Major Events in Ramtek Campus



Hon'ble Principal **Dr. Lata Lanjewar** inaugurated the **Reading Section of Competitive Exam Center** of KKSU in Ramtek.



Shri. Hanumanta Varakhedi and **Smt. Bharati Varkhedi** performing the **Karyarambha Pujavidhi** of **Deekshanta Sabhagruha** in Ramtek Campus in the presence of **Hon'ble VC Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi** and **Registrar Dr. Aravind Joshi** and staff of the KKSU.



Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between KKSU, Ramtek and Karnataka Samskrita University for research and academic activities in the presence of **Hon'ble VC Prof. Varakhedi**, Registrar of KKSU **Dr. Aravind Joshi**, Registrar of KSU, **Dr. V. Shivani** BPD Director **Prof. C. G. Vijaykumar**.



A Sanskrit Committee established by MHRD, Government of India released a Sanskrit Report. Hon'ble dignitaries releasing the Marathi translation of the same on the occasion of the **"Marathi Bhasha Gaurav Din"**.



Shri Dharmesh Fusate, Tahasildar, Ramtek felicitating **Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Varakhedi** at **Kalidas Rashtriya Samaroha**, Ramtek.



Hon'ble VC Prof. Varakhedi grace the inaugural function of **Kalidas Rashtriya Mahotsava** organized at Ramtek.



Two day Pali Morphological Workshop in co-ordination with Karnataka Samskrit University, Bangalore. **Dr. Mahesh Deokar**, HoD, Pali Dept Pune University, lighting the traditional lamp in the august presence of **Dr. M. G. Venkatesham**, Former VC, KSU, Bangalore, **Hon'ble VC Prof. Varakhedi** and Workshop Co-ordinator **V. Shivani** were also present.



A student delivering the speech in **Elocution Competition** organized by KKSU, Ramtek at **Vidyasagar College**, Ramtek on the occasion of **Marathi Bhasha Gaurav Din**.

Achievements of the Students



Respected Faculty members with students actively participated in **Shastrath-Parishad** organized by KKSU, Ramtek. Shastrath-Parishad is special activity run by the Academic Depts of the University to preserve the Ancient Shastra-Parampara and Shastra Charcha.



Proud of You Sayali ! Ms. Sayali Peshwe bagged 12 gold, silver medals and cash prizes for securing highest marks in B.A. Exam. (2016-17) from RTM Nagpur University. She has been awarded at the hand of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of RTMNU Dr. Siddharthavinayak Kane.



Students of KKSU, Ramtek bagged prizes in **All India Talent Festival** organized by Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati during 31 January to 3 February 2018. Our students participated and excelled in Folk Dance, One Act Play, Ved Elocution, Pravidhik Competitions. Hon'ble VC Prof. Varkhedi, Dr. Nanda Puri, Dr. Parag Joshi, Dr. Shivram Bhatt with Prize Winning Team.



The winning team of KKSU, Ramtek in **Indradhanusya State level Inter-University Youth Festival** organized by WNMKV, Parbhani. Hon'ble VC Prof. Varkhedi, Dr. Rajashree Meshram, Director, Student's council, Dr. Jaywant Chaudhari with winning team.



Student receiving the prize at the hands of **Hon'ble Smt. Nanda Jichkar, Mayor, Nagpur** in Sankramanotsava.



Hastalikhita prepared by students of the KKSU, Ramtek released at the hands of Hon'ble dignitaries in the **Sankramanotsava**.

मराठी भाषा गौरव दिनानिमित्त विश्वविद्यालयातर्फे आयोजित विविध भरगच्च कार्यक्रमांची क्षणचित्रे दि. 14.2.18 ते 27.2.18



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'Vidyaa dadasati rinayam, rinayadyasoti patratasam|
patratasya dhanamaapnoti,
dhanad dharmaa tatata
sukhvim|'

(Knowledge imparts modesty. Through humbleness comes eligibility. Once eligible, comes wealth. Wealth can be utilised to perform good deeds (dharma). Good deeds lead to happiness.)

ONE recalls this description from 'Hitopadesha' after interacting with Dr. Shrinivasa Varakhedi, Vice-Chancellor of Kavikulaguru Kalidasa Sanskrit University (KKSU), Ramtek. Dr. Varakhedi became Vice-Chancellor of KKSU at a young age of 44 years. He is probably the youngest Vice-Chancellor amongst those in Vidarbha region.

When this true 'Sanskrit Pandit' wearing a red coloured Dhoti with borders, a traditional 'Guru Shiri' with a jacket, a scarf on the shoulder and a 'tika' on forehead, entered confidently in the premises of 'The Hitavada' for the 'Confluence', each one welcoming him sensed that 'the reins of Kavikulaguru Kalidasa Sanskrit University are in the efficient hands of an erudite Sanskrit Pandit'.

What Dr. Varakhedi's body language conveyed could be found in Sanskrit 'vubhashti' -- 'Naasti vidyaa samahand-hu, naasti vidya samah sahrut| Naasti vidya samam vitam, naasti vidya samam sukham|' (There is no relative equivalent to knowledge, there is no friend equivalent to knowledge, there is no wealth equivalent to knowledge, there is no happiness equivalent to knowledge.)

Carrying the aura of profound knowledge, the modest and humble Sanskrit scholar Dr. Varakhedi recited a prayer of Goddess Saraswati and described 'The Hitavada' as -- 'Hitam Vadati Eri Hitavada; Hitam: Mitam Vadati Nasti'.

"Today, the teachers of renowned universities in India are highly paid, are enjoying every infrastructure, luxury and comfort. I was fortunate enough that my education started with Poonnapradnya Vidyapeetha Sanskrit Pathshala founded by Sri Vishvesha Teerth Swamiji of Pejavar Math, Udipi, which had teachers who did not care about comforts but impart-

ed knowledge selflessly. They taught us any and every time of the day, without even referring to books or any gadget. My alma mater preserved the Gurukul tradition. Those were my formative days. I took a small chunk from the big ocean of knowledge in Bengaluru." Dr. Varakhedi said while shedding light on his formative years.

Dr. Varakhedi completed his graduation in BA from Bangalore University in 2000 while 'Vidvat-Madhyama' (traditional degree) in 'Navya Nyaya' in 1995 from Poonnapradnya Sanskrit College in Bangalore. He completed MA in 'Sanskrit Darsana' in 2005 from Bangalore University, MA in Sanskrit (General) from Karnataka State Open University, Mysore in 1999. He also cleared 'Vidvat-Uttama' (Traditional Post Graduation) in 'Navya Nyaya' with first rank in 1997 from Poonnapradnya Sanskrit College, Bangalore.

Dr. Varakhedi said that he was blessed to have been mentored by eminent physicist and rationalist H. Narsimhaiah from Karnataka who was then Vice-Chancellor of Bangalore University. "Through, I studied in Sanskrit in Gurukul system, my teachers in university never imposed their ideas on me. I was groomed in free environment in the university. Students were free to discuss their ideas with their teachers and amongst themselves, without any fear. I simultaneously learned Sanskrit in Gurukul system and from the university. This helped me to become liberal and not orthodox. I started acquiring knowledge from, and understanding principles of, others too. I had opportunity to discuss various concepts with eminent scholars like E.N. Murthy, Shivaram Karanth, Vinait Chatterjee etc," he recalled.

Dr. Varakhedi started his career in academics as a lecturer in Poonnapradnya Vidyapeetha, Bangalore in June 1997. He worked as a Research Associate (on deputation) at Language Technology Research Center, Indian Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad from 1998 to 2000. He worked on Natural Language Processing Research course involving Computer Science, artificial Intelligence, Programming Concepts, Western Logic, Linguistics and Indian Sastras. He was Assistant Professor in the same Vidyapeetha from 2000 to 2002. He was an Assistant Controller of Examinations in Rashtriya Sanskrit

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Dr. Shrinivasa Varakhedi

Vidyapeeth, Deemed University, Tirupeti from 2002 to 2004.

Dr. Varakhedi was awarded his PhD 'Vidyavaridhi' in 'Nyaya' for his research titled 'The Application of Navya Nyaya Technical Language in Modern Technology: A Study with special reference to various knowledge representation schemes' under the guidance of Prof. A. Haridasa Bhatt in 2004 by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Deemed University, New Delhi through Poonnapradnya Samshodhana Mandiram, Bangalore.

The scholar has devoted a good part of his intellectual pursuit to appreciation of 'Shastras'. Indian shastra, he said, is at par with Western logic. Indian shastra teach to accept all thoughts, principles, but think rationally to develop own knowledge. As Indian

shastra encourage dialogues, and Western logic does not, one must study the former more, stressed the scholar who was conferred upon Mahanishi Badarayan Vyas Samman in 2007 by the President of India for his contribution to inter-disciplinary field involving Sanskrit. He received Chinmayasanda Gold Medal in 2012 from Chinmaya International Foundation Shodha Sansan, Kerala, instituted for young scholars to recognise their intellectual achievements and encourage them in their academic pursuits in the area of inter-disciplinary studies in Sanskrit research.

Indian shastras are a rich source of knowledge. As most of the scriptures of Shastras are in Sanskrit, many feel that the knowledge is not reaching to common masses. For, it is common

perception that Sanskrit is a 'dead' language.

Asked about this, Dr. Varakhedi replied with a firm statement, "Sanskrit is not dead. Because of constant efforts by Indian Sanskrit scholars, Sanskrit is recognised by the common people in society. Even an auto-rickshaw driver recognises when someone is speaking in Sanskrit. People still recall and recognise Sanskrit."

According to him, Sanskrit is relevant. "There may be opposition or Turvagraha, but Sanskrit is a language of future. Many universities in developed countries like USA, UK, had departments of Sanskrit studies. Those want to know Bharat, one must know and understand Sanskrit. Sanskrit is important to understand soul of Bharat and Sanskrit is the Sadhana (spiritual practice) to be conducted to restructure or develop India," he stressed.

Dr. Varakhedi narrated a story from the epic 'Ramayana' in which Indrajit, son of Ravana, made entire army of Rama unconscious. Then, Jambavan said, "Let's see Hanumana. He is not unconscious, no one is unconscious."

Taking a cue from the story, Dr. Varakhedi said, "Sanskrit is like Hanumana. It is not unconscious. Sanskrit is a living language of Indian culture. It is an essential part of human life. All languages in the world are alive because Sanskrit is alive. We must accept, respect, and encourage translations in Sanskrit. Sanskrit is alive because it has the capacity to create new words and ideas. Still a number of poems, articles, stories are written in Sanskrit language. Sanskrit is alive because it can produce a number of words for other languages."

Because of his insight into the significance of Sanskrit, the Vice-Chancellor of KKSU felt that the idea of granting 'classical language' status to Sanskrit should be opposed. "Why the insistence on making Sanskrit a classical language?" he wondered. Countries like Europe and France have termed Latin and Greek as classical languages. A classical language is confined and limited to libraries. "The language which is not in function is a classical language. Sanskrit is not a part of history like Latin or Greek. It is not a dead language. It is very much functional, and a living language," he said.

Having a rational mind, which accommodates ideas that stand the test of

logic, Dr. Shrinivasa Varakhedi felt that some people had developed liking for the idea of making Sanskrit a 'classical language' because they were following the techniques of K. S. MacDonald. "We Indians are following what such people have said. We have studied what others have told us since last 350 years. Now, many are realising the importance of Sanskrit. People should give time to study Sanskrit," he added.

As the Vice-Chancellor of KKSU, the scholar also has certain ideas. He has prepared a vision document for Sanskrit education. Sharing the vision, Dr. Varakhedi emphasised on making Sanskrit a language of common man. "Sanskrit has everything. We must convey its glory to all. We should not remain isolated and should not close doors for others. Scholars should make Sanskrit content sensitive. Sanskrit can not be protected just by emotions. It requires a lot of commitment from the policy-makers, scholars, and academicians to make Sanskrit a language of common man. Sanskrit should be accepted with its original content and form. It is a language of Indian culture, and should be protected with all its hyrcism," he elaborated.

But, is the effort to teach Sanskrit through the medium of other languages like Hindi, English, or Marathi serving any purpose towards preserving the glory and importance of Sanskrit? Dr. Varakhedi replied, "I will be the happiest person when Sanskrit universities in India reject Government funding and teach Sanskrit in Sanskrit medium by clearing all mental blocks."

Dr. Varakhedi's understanding of Sanskrit, its evolution, its significance, and its potential as the language for a better future makes its impact on people interacting with him. One feels that the interaction should go on, for it triggers hunger to know more.

Interaction with Dr. Varakhedi reminds one of another famous Sanskrit quote -- "Na chora haaryam, na chora haaryam, na bhastr bhastram, na bharaakaar| Vyayam krute vudhat evam nityam vidyadhaanam sarvadhana pradhanam|" (It cannot be snatched away by thief. It cannot be snatched away by King. It cannot be divided among brothers. It is not heavy either. If spent daily, it keeps growing. The wealth of knowledge is the precious wealth of all.)

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